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1. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S ASSISTANCE IN PROVIDING INFORMATION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE ON BRAZIL'S EXPORTS OF SOYBEANS, SOYBEAN MEAL AND SOYBEAN OIL TO ROMANIA FOR THE PAST FIVE YEARS, AS WELL AS ANY INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON BRAZILIAN PLANS TO EXPORT THESE COMMODITIES TO ROMANIA THIS YEAR. ANY INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON SUCH EXPORTS TO YUGOSLAVIA WOULD ALSO BE WELCOME.

2. BEGIN FYI. ROMANIANS HAVE REQUESTED CCC FINANCING FOR 100,000 METRIC TONS OF SOYBEANS. IN CONSIDERING THIS REQUEST WE ARE ANXIOUS TO LEARN WHETHER BRAZIL REPRESENTS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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A LIKELY ALTERNATIVE SOURCE IN THE FORM OF SOYBEAN MEAL. WE HAVE ALSO RECEIVED RUMORS OF POSSIBLE TRANSSHIPMENTS BETWEEN YUGOSLAVIA AND ROMANIA INVOLVING THESE COMMODITIES AND THUS WOULD BE INTERESTED IN YUGOSLAVIAN DATA AS WELL. END FYI.

3. PLEASE SLUG REPLY PASS AGRICULTURE FOR KEN STEPHENS. VANCE

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